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54 **Imprinter with cycle-modifying assembly.**

57 An imprinting roller having an imprint-applying element and which is designed to be incorporated in a line of business form stock processing equipment so as to rollingly apply an imprint to the stock while the stock is advancing along the line in web form, is equipped to apply the imprint at a succession of corresponding sites which are separated from one another longitudinally of the web, by a distance which is greater than the circumferential dimension of the imprinting roll. In the preferred practice, the distance between the sites is twice the circumferential distance and the imprinting roll is mounted and powered by elements which pivotally cam the imprinting roll away from rolling contact with the web precisely at alternate times when its imprint applying element is about to begin to contact the web. Also in the preferred practice, the imprinter is operated in conjunction with, i.e. is mounted to and receives rotational power via, an otherwise conventional detach.

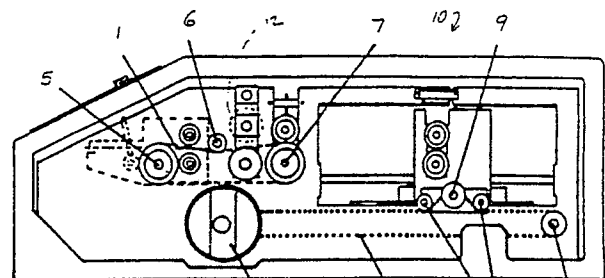


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